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TWO WELL KNOWN FACES IN IOWA.

DR. T. B. LACEY,

OF COUNCIL BLUFFS, IOWA, GRAND HIGH PRIEST.

By the death of G. H. P. Hyatt Dr. Lacey was compelled to assume the duties of the Grand High Priesthood prior to the Grand Chapter. At the Convocation on Sept. 5th, they complimented his well-known activity in all branches of Masonry by elevating him to his present exalted office. Companion Lacey is too well known to need flattery, and his work is too widely known to need advertisement. He has been thus twice raised to the highest places in the gift of his brothers—once as Grand Commander and now as Grand High Priest.

HON. W. F. CLEVELAND,

OF HARLAN, IOWA, GRAND MASTER R. & S. M.

This energetic champion of Cryptic Masonry in Iowa has been, by the choice of his Companions, placed for the third time at the head of an Iowa Masonic body, he having been Grand High Priest and Grand Commander. We bespeak a wonderful growth for this branch of Masonry under his care. It is his earnest desire to see many Councils organized this year. All who took the degrees in Chapters are asked to send him their addresses that he may communicate with them.

Among the Lodges.

Tabor, Iowa, once an anti-secret society stronghold, rejoices in the prospect of a strong lodge.

Corydon has work right along, and the Brothers there are the right sort.

Centerville keeps its good record of being constantly at it with good work.

On the evening of the day set apart for memorial services for the departed Brother—the lamented President—Crescent and Mt. Hermon Lodges, of this city, united in a service at which a number of able addresses were delivered. Bro. Rev. Dr. Green was the leading speaker. Absence prevented our response to join in the meeting.

Vigorous Trojan, No. 548, of Marion, keeps up its interest under W. M. Bro. Berry, and there will be work in the quarries when there is any to be found.

Morning Star Lodge, Jefferson, gave a banquet (first in several years) October 10th, at which their ladies were specially invited guests.

DISTRICT SCHOOLS.

DISTRICT NO. 19.

Chariton, Oct. 28 to Nov. 2, 1901.

Lodges No. 63 77 78 91 109 152 170 183 189 193 212 228 301 344 355 372 375 410 414 437 438 443 483 554 571.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

West Union, Oct. 28 to Nov. 2, 1901.

Lodges No. 66 69 70 72 90 130 135 144 150 154 160 172 181 202 204 214 237 248 274 316 333 351 374 395 510 518 542 567.

DISTRICT NO. 8.

Dubuque, Oct. 14-20, 1901.

Lodges No. 3 49 51 67 125 127 132 147 165 173 187 225 286 298 551.

DISTRICT NO. 18.

Ottumwa, Nov. 4-9, 1901.

Lodges No. 10 14 15 16 21 40 42 50 56 73 86 104 119 198 217 252 269 317 358 413 461 480 504 505 526.

DISTRICT NO. 17.

Burlington, Nov. 11-16, 1901.

Lodges No. 1 5 8 12 13 17 26 27 28 29 45 48 68 107 120 136 207 226 235 245 318 365 440 541 545.

The Royal Arch.

At Storm Lake, where is a young Chapter, they are making fine progress.

The largest Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in this country is St. Paul's of Boston, with a membership of 1,142. Oriental, of Philadelphia, the next, has 1,069, and Hamilton, of Rochester, N. Y., has 816. The largest Grand Chapter is that of the State of New York, with a membership of 22,817.

At Oelwein the young Chapter is still moving forward prosperously.

At Corydon the Companions are full of zeal and have work ahead.

The Chapter at Centerville is keeping well to the fore as is their wont.

The Scottish Rite.

Bro. Fred Webber, 33°, present Secretary-General, is the oldest living member of the Supreme Council, having been a member since 1859.

It is reported that the Scottish Rite bodies in the Valley of San Francisco will erect a temple in that city during the present year, at a cost of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

Much of the talk going through the press about the competitive results of the Rite, as compared with Templar Masonry, is cheap and without much meaning to those who know the facts. They each have their own well defined sphere.

Oriental Consistory, No. 1, Yankton, S. D., will hold a reunion at that city Nov. 18-22, 1901.

The Masons of the Rite in Portland, Ore., have invested $55,000 in a lot on which to erect a cathedral of white marble.

The Scottish Rites of the Indian Territory have a Temple Association, and at an early date a temple will be constructed at South McAlister. On its completion it is believed a Consistory will be instituted.

In Guthrie, Oklahoma, the 32° was conferred recently on over one hundred candidates, among them on three full-blooded Indians.

Over $75,000 worth of stock has been subscribed for the new Scottish Rite Temple which is to be erected on Post Street, in San Francisco.

An enjoyable reunion was held recently at Cheyenne, Wyo. They are erecting a temple there.

The Scottish Rite Masons of Little Rock will soon begin the erection of a magnificent temple. It is said that the building will be far ahead of anything ever before attempted in the way of Masonic buildings, except, perhaps, the House of the Temple here.

Thirty-third degree Masons of the southern jurisdiction have recently received invitations to attend the centennial of the Supreme Council of that jurisdiction, to be held in Washington on Oct. 21st, next. In his official letter Sovereign Grand Commander James B. Richardson says: "One hundred years ago this Supreme Council was founded in the city of Charleston, state of South Carolina, by good and illustrious men, and was set out by them on its lofty mission. During the approaching session the one hundredth anniversary of the Supreme Council will be celebrated in a manner becoming to the mother council of the world. This event must be one of the deepest interest to all Scottish Rite Masons. As an incident to the celebration the beautiful statue in memory of our most illustrious Brother, Albert Pike, which has been erected by the Supreme Council in this city, will be unveiled with appropriate ceremonies. This feature will add interest to the occasion, and it alone will repay one for the time and expense of the visit."—*Herald.*

The Council.

From a letter just received from the Grand Master of the Grand Council of Iowa R. & S. M., Companion W. F. Cleveland, we are led to urge upon the attention of all Royal Arch Masons who received the Council degrees in Chapters the request that he makes for them to send him their names so that he may communicate with them on matters of mutual interest.

Where this meets the attention of Secretaries of Chapters, if they will send him a list of the Royal and Select Masters on their rolls, it will be a favor to all concerned. Truely, as he says, "There are hundreds of Companions in Iowa who received the Council degrees in the Chapters who ought to be active members of Councils, at least to show their appreciation for these degrees."

Masonry is not a religion in the ecclesiastical or theological sense. It creates no church, it administers no ordinances, it has no ministerial or sacerdotal class. But it does teach the essential, spiritual truths on which all religion is based—faith in God, love to men and hope of immortality. It does lead men from their evil ways and point them to the skies. It is the most powerful auxiliary to religion which I know of. I yield to none in my loyalty to the church. I value her above the price of rubies. And, therefore, I shall not be misunderstood when I say that results which churches sometimes fail to secure, Masonry accomplishes; such, for example, as reconciliation between brothers long estranged, the realization of unity in dissimilars, and the systematic care of the sick and needy. —Rev. W. W. Boyd, Missouri.

Men do not know, nor can they know, the good that has been done and is being accomplished by the plain, simple lessons of our fraternity. Not even those who have come within the mystic circle can estimate its full power as a factor in the problem of life. Withdrawing from the gaze of the world, asking nothing from its favor, independent of its power or opinion, Masonry lives a law and power unto itself, which for ages has directed and preserved it, and will continue to fulfill its mission so long as men are endowed with hopes, desires and aspirations.—John L. Terrell, Texas.

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GRAND GATHERINGS.

GRAND LODGE MEETS.

Dubuque, June 3, 1902.

L. J. BAKER	Ottumwa	GRAND MASTER
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CONVOCATIONS, R. A. M.

General Grand (U. S.,) 1903.

T. B. LACEY	Council Bluffs	GRAND HIGH PRIEST
Alf. Wingate	Des Moines	Grand Secretary

ASSEMBLIES, R. & S. M.

General Grand (U. S.,)

W. F. CLEVELAND	Harlan	M. P. G. M
Alf. Wingate	Des Moines	Grand Recorder

CONCLAVES K. T.

Grand Encampment, San Francisco, Cal., 1904.
Iowa Grand, Templar Park, July, 1902.

W. H. NORRIS	Manchester	GRAND COMMANDER
J. E. CHERRY	Creston	Grand Recorder

GRAND CHAPTERS O. E. S.

General Grand (U. S.) Sept. 24-30, 1901, Detroit, Mich.
Iowa, Oct. 24, 1901, Sioux City.

FREDA OPPENHEIMER	Webster City	GRAND MATRON
A. J. Small	Des Moines	Grand Patron
Mrs. Maria Jackson	Council Bluffs	Grand Recorder

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Imperial Council, San Francisco, Cal., June 1, 1902.

PHILO SHAFFER,	Philadelphia, Pa.,	IMP. POTENTATE
Ben. W. Rowell	Boston, Mass	Recorder

EL-KAHIR TEMPLE, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

B. M. CLEVELAND	Waterloo	POTENTATE
John Westley Geiger	Cedar Rapids	Recorder

MEETINGS AT HOME:

October 25 November 22 December 11

CONRAD YOUNGERMAN DEAD.

On September 10th the associated press reports brought us the word that Bro. Conrad Youngerman, one of Des Moines best known capitalists and Freemasons, had died that morning. We have since been told that his illness was pneumonia. How rapidly these "well beloved" ones are passing to the great beyond.

The editor offers no apology for the meagreness of the reports from the Grand Chapter and Grand Councils of Iowa. Necessity and duty know no law of convenience; but we are interested just the same.

The editor of this paper strongly endorses the action of General Charles H. Grosvenor, in requiring a certain share of the proceeds from the sale of his book to be set aside for a McKinley Monument Fund. Our readers will see an advertisement of this book in another column of this paper.

Why does not Masonic wealth *invest* in improved methods of self helpfulness—not as a charity but as a business—for our own first, then for all whom it can reach?

We have often desired to renew an old acquaintance by attending one of the Pilgrimages of the Crusaders, and we must send Bro. A. M. Rambo our regrets for not being at Gettysburg on September 17 and 18.

The Grand Orient of Spain has chartered four lodges in Pennsylvania—two in Philadelphia and one in Allentown and one in Weispont. These bodies are clandestine. Examining boards will please make a note of this.

Our Creston Brothers have filed articles of incorporation for a Temple Association. Capital, $25,000. Project a great move for Creston.

In Maine a number of Lodges give a year's subscription to the "*Token*" as a reward for the most regular attendance at Communication.

We are glad to welcome the "*Keystone*" of Philadelphia once more to our table, and we wonder why it ever stopped coming.

Our esteemed contemporary, the *Masonic Advocate*, criticises the making of a man four feet three inches tall a Mason in Pennsylvania, as well as to hold the little man up in no courteous light. We see no argument as to his not being a man, and we doubt if he were to express his preference he'd change to a "six-footer."

"Coon, coon, coon, I wish my color would fade."

Evidently the Grand Lodge of Iowa failed to meet the approbation of the "*Pacific Mason*" in its action of the "dancing and card-playing question," but our esteemed contemporary will please not excommunicate "all hands round" because this action is not to its liking. The *Masonic Advocate* is "greatly surprised that so intelligent a body of Masons as we have always thought the Grand Lodge of Iowa to be should pass it." "Ancient craft Methodism," did you say? Modern craft servility is a better name for it.

If any doubt the need of Masonic literature let them observe promiscuously the general lack of exact information in Masonic affairs. Yet to say so outright would be heresy, so we merely hint it.

The Mystic Shrine.

El Katif, Spokane, loses its illustrious Recorder by death.

We have the half-tone group of Aloha's officers and Arab Patrol.

Almas, Washington, loses its Treasurer, Noble E. H. Chamberlain, by death.

Medinah bloomed out again on the fourth Friday of September in its usual happy style.

Lulu gives us a neat directory of the Temples of the Order, and Recorder Ross resumes his catchy style of notices.

Ismalia "shined" beyond the usual limits in her splendid "Pan-American" Day August 31st. How we thirsted to be there, but we couldn't.

Kaaba had a successful "round up" September 5th, at Davenport, following the Grand Chapter and Grand Council gatherings. We had all planned to be there, but other duties over-crowded us.

Za-Ga-Zig held a meeting at home on September 26th, with a class of a dozen to regale the Nobles present. Will Keith reports a good time and plenty of business for our young neighbor.

El Kahir will conduct a class of novices across the sands of "Wapsie Valley" on October 25th, and judging from the interest manifested it will be a time long to be remembered.

SAN FRANCISCO CLUB.—The Nobles of El Kahir and Iowa particularly, are asked to help shed light on the best plan to prepare for and go to San Francisco next June. Come to Anamosa on the 25th and talk it over.

The practice of forming clubs of the Nobility and their families in towns where a few reside, now so popular "down east," was proposed to El Kahir by "Our Cy" in 1894, and for want of keen sense overlooked. Its a good move and ought to go.

Mecca Temple has changed its home to 121 west Twenty-second Street, New York City.

"I believe that the Shrine has been a help, a most valuable and a most living help to the fraternity. It has furnished certain details which the craft itself could not supply, for, however some of our hair-brained brethren may regard it, Freemasonry is a very serious matter, and deals with the highest and gravest problems presented to humanity. But the Shrine, while not losing sight of these cultivates the social and fraternal sentiments which help to infuse sunshine across our pathway. To that end are its pilgrimages, its Arab patrol, its entertainments. It claims to establish a real bond of fraternity among its members and more than makes good its claim. It believes in toleration, a liberty of thought; it requires a Noble to be a good man, a loyal citizen; and in all lawful ways it seeks to promote the welfare and the pleasure of its members. It seeks light and intelligence, and these two words, it seems to me, fully express its purpose and form its real motto."—Peter Ross.

The Duke of Manchester, it appears, is desirous of establishing the order of the Mystic Shrine in Ireland. It will be remembered that when Manchester was visit-

ing his father-in-law, Eugene Zimmerman, of Cincinnati, last winter, he was initiated into Syrian Temple in that city. He waxed very enthusiastic over the Shrine, and now he has petitioned the Imperial Council, through Syrian Temple, for a dispensation to allow him to set up a temple in Ireland. His communication to Syrian Temple was presented to that body the other evening, and is a beautiful work of art, in the shape of a handsome scroll. The scroll was sent from Tanderagee Castle at Tanderagee, near Belfast, Ireland, and was enclosed in a dark morocco case. Manchester's wishes have been communicated to the Imperial Council, and permission from that body is now being awaited.

If one may believe press dispatches, however, Manchester's scheme is not so popular with others across the pond as it is with himself. A recent London cable to the *New York World* says: "The Duke of Manchester is looked at askance by the orthodox Freemasons here because he tried to introduce into Ireland a temple of the Fraternal Mystic Circle. In Ireland Masonry, unlike that in England and America, is mainly a politico-religious organization with very definite objects, and the Duke's Orange friends in Belfast don't see how these can be advanced by a lodge founded for the study of the traditions and literature of the Orient."

Somewhat of a flutter appears to have been created among the devotees of what strict Freemasons sometimes severely call "Milliners' Masonry" by the announcement that the Duke of Manchester is about to introduce into Ireland a "temple of the Fraternal Mystic Circle," or, as it is otherwise described, a "mystic shrine." From the confused reports that have appeared on the subject it may be conjectured that this intended branch of an American order is not one of the "Sheikhs of the Kaaba, Defenders of the Mystic Shrine," but of the "Nobles of the Mystic Shrine" The former, which has its secretariat in New York—"Sheikh Fakir" is the recretary's official designation—is declared to have been founded for "the purposes of social intercourse and intellectual culture, but more particularly for the study of the traditions and literature of the Orient;" while the latter, "which has its 'imperial recorder' at Boston, frankly admits that, although its membership is composed strictly of Masons, it is not a regular Masonic body. It claims, however, that it was "instituted by the Mohammedan Kalif Alee, the cousin-german and son-in-law of the Prophet Mohammed, in the year of the Hegira 25 (A. D. 656), at Mekkah, in Arabia, as an inquisition or vigilance committee, to dispense justice and execute punishment upon criminals who escape their just deserts through the tardiness of the courts, and also to promote religious toleration among cultured men of all nations." This, despite the extreme precision of the names and dates, smacks of America under McKinley rather than Arabia under Mohammed; and if these American Masonic innovations are to come, we may speedily expect the Order of the Eastern Star, which possesses a grand matron as well as a grand patron, to say nothing of a grand Adah and a grand Ruth, a grand Esther and a grand Martha, with a grand conductress as a kind of "whipper-in."—*Tyler.*

The Eastern Star.

Through the "*Eastern Star*" Clinton Chapter No. 65 is reported as giving a Chapter of Sorrow once a year; has furnished a room in the city hospital; an entertainment by P. M's and P. P's.

There are two Chapters in Hawaii, one (No. 1) at Hilo; and the other (No. 2) in Honolulu, with a combined membership of about two hundred.

Victoria Chapter No. 1, of Scotland (some time dormant), is about to be revived.

We give place to the announcements of the Grand Chapter this month. Extract of proceedings next.

Among the meagre reports from the General Grand Chapter held at Detroit lately we discover that P. W. G. M., Mrs. Harriet Ercanbrack, has again been honored as Grand Treasurer, a position that she has held for some years.

A visit to Evening Star Chapter, Jefferson, October 3, was an unexpected pleasure to us, and evidently a surprise to some of the folks. They are alive, having referred three applications and accepted an invitation to a banquet at this meeting.

1901—GRAND CHAPTER OF IOWA.

To the Officers and Members of Subordinate Chapters of Iowa:

GREETING:—The Twenty-fourth Annual Session of the Grand Chapter O. E. S., of Iowa, will be held in the Armory, Sioux City, Wednesday and Thursday, October 23rd and 24th, with school of instruction, exemplification of the work, etc., Tuesday afternoon, October 22nd, at 2 o'clock, and a reception at Masonic Temple under the auspices of Isis Chapter, Sioux City, Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock.

Each Chapter having made report and paid dues will be entitled to three delegates and to mileage and per diem for the senior delegate present, counting in order of W. M., W. P. and A. M., and in case of the absence of these three, then the mileage and per diem goes to the one holding the proxy of the highest officer of the Chapter they represent. If only one delegate is present, such delegate casts the full vote of the Chapter, and if two are present, the one highest in office casts two votes, unless the other delegate holds the written proxy of the absent officers.

The attention of those Chapters entitled to extra delegates is called to page 5, Article 7, Section 3 of the Constitution, and extra blanks for such delegates are herewith enclosed to Chapters entitled to same, together with the usual blank credentials issued to each Chapter.

HOTELS.

Headquarters will be established at the Garretson Hotel: Hotel rates are as follows:

Garretson—$2.00 to $2.50 per day.
Mondamin—$2.00 to $2.50 perday.
Oxford—$1.50 to $2.00 per day.
Vendome—$1.50 to $2.00 per day.

Those desiring entertainment at headquarters or other hotels should address Chairman of Entertainment Committee, Mrs. S. E. Redsall, 703 Jennings street, Sioux City, stating preference of hotel and the rate they wish to pay.

Chairman of Reception Committee from Isis Chapter, Mr. Geo. W. McGibbons.

OFFICIAL PROGRAM.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21ST.

Grand officers will meet at Armory Monday evening for rehearsal.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22ND.

2:00 p. m.—Opening School of Instruction by Grand Officers, with exemplification of the work.

8:00 p. m.—Reception to Grand Officers at Masonic Temple by Isis Chapter. All members of the Order welcome.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23RD.

10:00 a. m.—Opening Grand Chapter in form. Address of welcome on behalf of Isis Chapter by Mrs. Emma Hawman, Worthy Matron. Response by Mrs. Jane Webber, Associate Grand Matron. Reading of Minutes unless dispensed with. Addresses of Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. Regular order of business.

2:00 p. m.—Reports of Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer, and various committees, etc., with regular order of business.

8:00 p. m.—Memorial service, with address by Sister Hattie Bradstreet, Grand Chaplain, with special address in memory of P. G. Patron Ercanbrack, by P. G. Matron Jennie E. Mathews, Rockford.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24TH.

9:00 a. m.—Regular order or business continued. Installation of Matrons, Patrons and Associate Matrons of U. D. Chapters with presentation of charters. Election of Grand Officers.

2:00 p. m.—Unfinished business, etc. Mite boxes. Remarks for good of the Order. Installation of officers. Closing in form. Farewells.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

CREDENTIALS.—Mrs. Jennie E. Mathews, Rockford; Mrs. Emma Miller, Spirit Lake; Mrs. Etta Burnside, Wacoma.

ADDRESSES.—Mrs. Mary B. Rathbun, Clinton; Mrs. Laura Feister, Independence; Mrs. Birdie Kerr, Rolfe.

DISPENSATIONS AND CHARTERS.—Mrs. Anna Moffat, Centerville; Mrs. Nellie Cope, Onawa; Mrs. Lydia Anderson, Truro.

CHARTERED CHAPTERS.—Miss Ida Beem, Chariton; Mrs. Ida Hart, Postville, Miss Kate Smith, Danbury.

APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.—J. A. Henderson, Jefferson; A. R Molyneaux, Cherokee; Mrs. B. P. Birdsall, Clarion.

JURISPRUDENCE.—W. H. Norris, Manchester; Mrs. Kate Mirick, Monticello; Mrs. Minnie Blake, Jewell.

FINANCE.—Mrs. Delia Meredith, Newton; Mrs. Lulu F. Ridgeway, Lenox; Mrs. Paulina Brown, Wall Lake.

MILEAGE, TRANSPORTATION AND PER DIEM.—D. E. Moore, Charles City.

FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE.—Mrs. Lucina Wells, Corning.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.—Mrs. Anna Baynes, Dubuque; Mrs. Martha Leonard, Perry.

Fraternities.

The crusade against the "social membership" has commenced among the Maccabees.

The Supreme Council of the Ancient Craftsman of Tyre and Egypt, met September 21st and after a harmonious Communition adopted finally its new statutes and regulations.

The attitude of some of the participants in the "unseemlies" among certain fraternal bodies betokens "dog in the manger" and "hog in the trough" rather muchly.

The solemn and awful calamity that took from our country its executive head and bereaved the first woman of the land has shown us a spectacle of fraternal amity not heretofore witnessed. Masons of all degrees mingled freely in procession with all others at President McKinley's funeral.

WHO ARE THEY?

The Pilgrims to Mecca have had another characteristic blowout in their rooms in the Chamber of Commerce. The initiation of a class of thirty-one candidates will be the business on hand, and a banquet will follow, to be presided over by John T. Reece, Noble Emir. The toasts will include the following: "Politics in the Lodge Room," T. F. Griffin; "Trials and Tribulations of a Candidate," F. E. Gill; "Our Membership," O. P. McCray; "Don'ts," G. W. Argo; "Snaps," C. A. Irwin. The music will be especially interesting. These numbers will intersperse the programme. Vocal solo, G. W. Burkhead; song, Pilgrim's Quartette; vocal solo, A. W. Giehm, and a mandolin club will give music throughout the evening. In the absence from the city of William Hiles, who has gone to New York on a pleasure trip, the duties of muttowa will be taken by O. P. McCray.—*Sioux City Paper.*

SUICIDE INVALIDATES POLICY.

IMPORTANT DECISION BY THE APPELLATE COURT AT SPRINGFIELD.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL., Sept. 11.—In an opinion handed down in the third district of the appellate court today, it is held that an insurance beneficiary cannot recover on a policy, provided a policy stipulates that it becomes void if the person insured dies by his own hand, whether sane or insane. The decision is given in the case of Fannie Schwartz vs. the Supreme Court of Honor, appealed from the circuit court of Sangamon county. Abe Wineberger held a policy for $2,000, payable to his wife and daughter, Mrs. Schwartz. A coroner's jury held that he committed suicide and the Court of Honor refused to pay the claim. A judgment for the full amount was rendered in the circuit court, and the Court of Honor prosecuted the appeal.

WOODMEN LOSE SUIT.

INTERESTING INSURANCE CASE IS DECIDED BY JURY AT CANTON.

CANTON, S. D., Sept. 30.—A case of interest to policy holders in endowment societies has been disposed of in the state circuit court at Canton. The case was entitled Jacob Kehm vs. The Modern Woodmen of America. Kehm's son was insured in the Woodmen, and after his death the defendant society tried to prove that the deceased violated some of the provisions of the contract, and by alleged misrepresentation induced Kehm to surrender his son's policy for the amount of assessments paid to the order. Kehm brought suit to recover the face value of the policy—$2,000—and a jury awarded him a judgment for $2,185.75, which included the costs of the suit and interest on the policy.

Book Table and Invitations.

From Comp. and Bro. R. E. French, Kearney, Neb., lines of poetry and "adieu."

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